BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)	
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Compaq Citizenship Fund, connected with)	•
Compaq Computer Corporation and)	
Michele W. Blair, as treasurer)	

CONCILIATION AGREEMENT

This matter was initiated by the Federal Election Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities.

The Commission found reason to believe Compaq Citizenship Fund, connected with Compaq Computer Corporation and its treasurer ("Respondents"), violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(4)(A)(iv).

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commission and the Respondents, having participated in informal methods of conciliation, prior to a finding of probable cause to believe, do hereby agree as follows:

- I. The Commission has jurisdiction over the Respondents and the subject matter of this proceeding, and this agreement has the effect of an agreement entered pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4)(A)(i).
- II. Respondents have had a reasonable opportunity to demonstrate that no action should be taken in this matter.
 - III. Respondents enter voluntarily into this agreement with the Commission.
 - IV. The pertinent facts in this matter are as follows:
 - 1. Compaq Citizenship Fund, connected with Compaq Computer Corporation is a political committee within the meaning of 2 U.S.C. § 431(4), and is not an authorized committee of any candidate.

- 2. Michele W. Blair is the present treasurer of Compaq Citizenship Fund, connected with Compaq Computer Corporation. Chase Untermeyer was, at times relevant to this matter, treasurer of Compaq Citizenship Fund, connected with Compaq Computer Corporation.
- 3. The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ('the Act''), requires treasurers of political committees, other than authorized committees of a candidate, to file periodic reports of receipts and disbursements. 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(1). In any calendar year in which a regularly scheduled election is held, all political committees that choose not to file on a monthly basis shall file quarterly reports, which shall be filed no later than the 15th day after the last day of each calendar quarter. 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(4)(A)(i). In addition, in any other calendar year, treasurers of such committees must also file a report covering the period beginning January 1 and ending June 30, which shall be filed no later than July 31. 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(4)(A)(iv).
- 4. Respondents were required to file their 1999 Mid-Year Report no later than July 31, 1999.
- 5. On November 2, 1999, Respondents filed their 1999 Mid-Year Report, disclosing \$16,586 in receipts and \$11,700 in disbursements. This report, which should have been filed by July 31, 1999, was 94 days late.
- V. Respondents failed to timely file their 1999 Mid-Year Report, in violation of 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(4)(A)(iv).

VI. Respondents will pay a civil penalty to the Federal Election Commission in the amount of Two Thousand, Three Hundred dollars (\$2,300), pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(5)(A).

VII. The Commission, on request of anyone filing a complaint under 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(1) concerning the matters at issue herein or on its own motion, may review compliance with this agreement. If the Commission believes that this agreement or any requirement thereof has been violated, it may institute a civil action for relief in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia.

VIII. This agreement shall become effective as of the date that all parties hereto have executed same and the Commission has approved the entire agreement.

IX. Respondents shall have no more than 30 days from the date this agreement becomes effective to comply with and implement the requirement contained in this agreement and to so notify the Commission.

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X. This Conciliation Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties on the matters raised herein, and no other statement, promise, or agreement, either written or oral, made by either party or by agents of either party, that is not contained in this written agreement shall be enforceable.

FOR THE COMMISSION:

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BY:

Acting Associate General Counsel

FOR THE RESPONDENTS:

(Namc) Michele W. Blair

(Position) Treasurer